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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
(Case No. 98-385-E)**

**PATENT**

In re Application of: Hauptmann et al. )  
Serial No.: 09/525,998 ) Before the Examiner: E. O'Hara  
Filed: March 15, 2000 ) Group Art Unit: 1646  
For: TNF Receptors, TNF Binding )  
Proteins and DNAs Coding For Them )

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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED SEPTEMBER 26, 2006**

Responsive to the Office Action mailed September 26, 2006, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims:** Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.121, Applicants present a complete listing of the claims, including marked up versions of all currently amended claims, at pages 2-11.

**Remarks:** Applicants' Remarks begin on page 12 of this paper.